GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2401
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HINDUSTAN PAPER COROPRATION
NEPAL CHANDRA DAS

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Paper Corporation has been incurring heavy losses dueto lapse of proper stock reconciliation and quality of paper produced by Cocher and Nagaon Mills of HPC is being sold to their Agents at half rates;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(c) whether the Government are contemplating to conduct enquiry in the matter by CBI; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) & (b): Due to certain irregularities in Delhi Regional Office andChandigarh Depot, the company has detected loss of about Rs.8.2 crores. All efforts are being put in to recover the dues from the dealers.

Paper is sold in market as per the list price fixed by the pricing committee of Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd. from time to time.

(c) & (d): The Corporation has taken action to suspend five officials from Marketing and Finance Deptt. of Delhi regional marketing office and depot incharges of Delhi and Chandigarh. The Executive Director (Marketing) is also under suspension.

The Hindustan Paper Corporation has filed criminal proceedings with CBI.